ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An insert for a socket wrench comprises a polygonal base corresponding in shape to a wrenching socket into which the insert is received, and a plurality of elongated fingers extending from corner locations on the base. Each finger is characterized by a cross-sectional shape that provides a vertex edge registering with a corresponding corner of the wrenching socket, a pair of confinement sides intersecting at vertex edge for registering with adjacent flats of the wrenching socket, and an engagement side opposite the vertex edge for contacting an intermediate portion of a flat of the fastener between the rounded "corners" of the stripped fastener polygon. The insert efficiently transmits torque to the fastener in a non-destructive manner to loosen, or if desired tighten, the stripped fastener. The finger configuration of the invention can also be integrally incorporated into a socket attachment for a socket wrench.